The Amended Specification

The following pages provide the amended specification with the amendments

marked with deleted material in [brackets] and new material underlined to show the

changes made.

On page 74, please amend the specification as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A technique for generating cross-references among categories in a knowledge base [is

disclosed. A plurality of themes are] extracts[ed] a plurality of themes from a corpus of

documents. A theme identifies subject matter contained in a corresponding document. A

plurality of scores are generated such that each score identifies a relative theme strength

among theme pairs of the themes extracted from the documents. In general, a theme

strength reflects the amount of subject matter contained in a document for a

corresponding theme relative to other themes in the document. Thereafter, the most

related theme pairs are selected as indicated by the scores. Category pairs of the

knowledge base are then selected by mapping the themes of the selected theme pairs to

corresponding categories of the knowledge base. A cross-reference between categories of

the category pairs in the knowledge base [are] is generated so as to identify an association

between the category pairs.

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